

"YOU GOTTA HAND IT TO PAW PAW"

When it comes to the question of Who's Who as Mother Towns in Base Ball.

The daily papers recently raved to a more or less extent about Fitchburg, Mass., the home of ballplayers. The sole reason for Fitchburg's attachment itself so unreservedly to this honor is that it is the residence of Pat Moran and Jimmy Callahan, two Irishmen who without doubt dropped into the burg out of a clear sky and became baseball satellites in spite of all the village could do. Who, having become famous the world over for their clever work with the horsehide, suddenly became considerable commercial asset to the Massachusetts hamlet, which lost no time in proclaiming them "Fitchburg's Favorite Sons."

Coffeyville, Kan., also enjoyed a slight splurge of calcium through its affiliation with one Walter Johnson who has been known to win an occasional game for the Washington Senators. Not to mention St. Paul, Neb., where Grover Cleveland Alexander delights in placing his feet under the table during the winter months.

Killifer's First.
But what about Paw Paw, Van Buren county, Mich. U. S. A.? What about the little city that furnished the Cincinnati Reds with a leading batsman last year, the Champion Phillies with a catcher de luxe, to say nothing whatever of many other players in the minors? What, we cry, of the original cradle of the national pastime?

For a number of years Paw Paw had a high school team that won the state championship without apparently any effort. For 13 years the public schools had at their head a man who besides teaching mathematics and zoology, garnered enough time between halves to divulge to the youngsters that four balls generally means "take your base," while "you're out" means argument.

J. A. O'Leary, like Moran and Callahan had shamrock spilled all over him, as Irish as they make 'em, and at that time was one of Michigan's prominent educators as well as leading baseball authorities. It is due to his somewhat uncanny knowledge of baseball that several young men from this vicinity forsook starvation via the doctor-lawyer route for riches until via professional baseball.

Other Stars Listed.
Bill Killifer, the classiest piece of receiving machinery that ever buckled under a chest protector, brother of Wade Killifer, who has starred continuously since 1907, to say nothing of George Paige, formerly with the Cleveland A. L. club, and the Birmingham Southern league team, Frank Sanger, for several years with the Johnstown, Pa., club, Mark Chaffee, who is known to Southern Michigan league fame, and youngest of all, Merle Fuller, 1916 captain at M. A. C., already the apple of several scouts' eyes. Modesty and the limitations of the linotype machine forbids a complete list.

Yes, let Fitchburg have her Irishmen, let Coffeyville decorate the "past office" when Johnson comes marching home; let St. Paul bet its money on Alexander. When it comes to the real issue between these towns as to Who's Who in the Mother of Baseball business, you gotta hand it to Paw Paw that's all—Kalamazoo Gazette.

ORDER PUBLICATION.

State of Michigan.
In the Circuit Court for the County of Van Buren, in Chancery.

Richard E. Smethells, complainant, vs. Ida M. Hazzard, Lilly E. Timothy, Flora M. Donahue, and Richard J. Smethells, defendants.

Upon due proof by affidavit that Lilly E. Timothy and Flora M. Donahue, defendants in the above entitled cause, pending in this court, reside out of the said State of Michigan and in Chicago, Illinois, and on motion of Glenn E. Warner, one of the solicitors for complainant, it is ordered that the said defendants do appear and answer the Bill of Complaint filed in the said cause within four (4) months from the date of this order, else the said Bill of Complaint shall be taken as confessed. And further, that this order be published within 20 days from this date, in The True Northerner, a newspaper printed in said County of Van Buren, and be published therein once in each week for six weeks in succession; such publication, however, shall not be necessary in case a copy of this order be served on the said defendants personally, at least 20 days before the time herein prescribed for their appearance. Dated this 8th day of January, A. D. 1916.

L. BURGET DES VOIGNES, Circuit Judge.
DAVID G. ROBERTSON and GLENN E. WARNER, Solicitors for Complainant.
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29 South LaSalle Street, Chicago, Illinois.
Paw Paw, Michigan, respectively.
THEREN & KIMBARK, Of Counsel.
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PICKED UP ABOUT THE COURT HOUSE

CIRCUIT COURT PROCEEDINGS.

New Suits filed:
Lena McGarry, Alfred Kennedy and Elbert Eddy vs. Grand Junction Telephone Co., et al. Injunction.
Robert B. Clark vs. E. S. Peterson. Assumpsit.
Geo. D. Starr vs. A. C. Grimes. Appeal.

Marriage Licenses Issued:

J. C. Little, 46, Breedsville; Florence Garner, 38, Paw Paw.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

Mercy M. Bland to Cyrus A. Potts, pcl. 120 acres, Sec. 26, Paw Paw, \$1.00.
Emile J. Cote to Wm. W. Jackson and wife, pcl. Sec. 15, Hartford, \$1.00.
Ernest Truffin and wife to Arthur B. Wiggins, pcl. Sec. 17, Bloomingdale, \$1.00.
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Malcom S. Carney and wife to Edwin W. Lee and wife, Lot 8, Block 18, \$1.00.
D. V. Chamberlin, et al. to Cestia Freeman, Lot 30, Kendall, \$75.00.
J. L. Clement & Sons to David Gilbert and wife, pcl. 40 acres, Sec. 20, Pine Grove, \$750.00.
Frank Schemmels and wife to Rollo E. McCotter, et al., 100 acres, pcl. 17, Lawrence, \$1.00.
Ernest Geissler to Violet G. Shaw, pcl. Sec. 10 and 15, Decatur, \$1,000.00.
Anna Osborne, et al. to Claude A. Enos and wife pcl. Sec. 8, Pine Grove, \$2,000.00.
Jurgens P. Jurgensen and wife to Wilson Dine and wife, pcl. 40 acres, Sec. 13, Hamilton, \$2,500.00.
Albino L. Hoyt and wife to Mabel Moon, pcl. 1/2 acre, Sec. 29, Lawton, \$95.00.
Geo. W. Knoll and wife to Eugene F. Prindle, pcl. Sec. 20, Porter, \$10,370.00.
L. W. Schwabero and wife to Earl Taylor, pcl. Sec. 1, South Haven, \$1,000.00.
Jerome P. Rowley and wife to E. J. Reed and wife, Lot 13, 14 Blk. 36, South Haven, \$2,000.00.
Cyrus A. Potts and wife to Mercy M. Bland, 120 acres, Sec. 26, Paw Paw, \$1.00.
Cornelius Van Wyman and wife to Abraham Van Wyman, Lot 2, Blk. 3, South Haven, \$1.00.
Albino L. Hoyt and wife to J. Henry Myers and wife, pcl. Sec. 23, Lawton, \$250.00.
Emma Jane Herr to Seth S. Fassett, Sec. 34, Keeler, \$1.00.
Herman C. Worns, et al. to Eva L. Green, 196 acres, Sec. 25, Waverly, \$7,000.00.
Peoples' State Bank to Frank M. Clark, pcl. Sec. 17, Bloomingdale, \$800.00.

PROBATE COURT PROCEEDINGS.

Estate Jefferson S. Dowd, deceased. No claims filed and estate closed to creditors.
Estate Nathan Downey, deceased. Proof on probate of will filed. Order admitting will to probate, and appointing Louise C. Downey as administratrix with the will annexed. Bond issued.
Estate Sally Ann Murray, deceased. Order appointing William E. Swank administrator. Bond issued.
Estate Emma R. Young, deceased. Order appointing Naomi Adams as administratrix de bonis non. Bond issued.
Estate A. E. Bessey, deceased. Order extending time for settlement of estate.
Estate Guy Lafler, deceased. Order allowing account, assigning residue and discharging administrator.
Estate Hannah Tabor, deceased. Order allowing account and assigning residue.
Estate Bert Wellington, deceased. Order allowing account and discharging administrator.
Estate Walter F. Murray, deceased. Petition for license to sell real estate filed. Hearing Jan. 31st.
Estate Elizabeth H. Lafler, deceased. Final account filed. Hearing January 31st.
Estate Benj. F. Meabon, et al., minors. Petition for license to mortgage real estate filed. Hearing Jan. 31st.
Estate Mary Moon, deceased. Petition to probate will filed. Hearing Jan. 31st.
Estate Sarah A. Clark Cook, deceased. Petition for determination of legal heirs filed. Hearing Jan. 31st.
Estate Nathaniel W. Smith, deceased. Final account filed. Hearing Jan. 31st.
Estate Julia E. Freeman, deceased. Final account filed. Hearing Jan. 31st.
Estate Leslie H. Coday, incompetent. Petition for appointment of guardian filed. Hearing Jan. 31st.
Estate Parshal Van Duzer, deceased. Bond filed and letters of administration de bonis non, with will annexed, issued to F. C. Stapleton.

SHORT STATE THE

Taken from our Exchanges From all over Michigan. News of the past week in short paragraphs.

Former Judge Charles N. Legg, 70, died suddenly at Coldwater.
M. Kizler was drowned in Pine lake at Boyne City while skating.
Carl Woods, 85, farmer, one of the earliest residents of Green Oak township, is dead.
Grand Rapids will have a revival from March 6 to Easter Sunday, the ministerial association has decided.
G. R. Roy, president of the Manistee Iron works, a resident of Manistee, died at his home at the age of seventy-six years.

All the public schools in Manistee failed to open last week, following the holiday vacation, owing to an epidemic of grip in the city.

H. W. Yarrick, of Armour & Co., and previously with the company at Chicago and Toledo, died at Jackson, aged forty-two years.

The Calhoun County Agricultural society elected City Commissioner Stephen Rathbun president to succeed Robert Kernan, resigned.

At Detroit, a week after his marriage at Mount Clemens A. A. Caille, millionaire slot machine inventor and manufacturer, dropped dead at his home, Palmer and Second avenues.

A plan to institute in Michigan an appellate court between the circuit courts as now constituted and the supreme court was discussed by the Michigan Circuit Judges' association.

Enough petitions to place the name of former President Theodore Roosevelt as Republican candidate on the Michigan presidential primary ballots were filed with the secretary of state.

Four men were scalded at the new plant of the American Malleable company at Owosso while connecting the heating plant of the two additions. DeForest Benson was the most seriously burned.

At Grand Rapids John and Joseph Hoaghyde, brothers, are both assuming blame for a serious gunshot wound from which the former is suffering. The case is proving very puzzling to the local police.

W. Harves, of Michigan Center, has disappeared. As he was in the habit of walking across the frozen Michigan Center pond and was last seen crossing the ice on the way to Worden's resort it is feared he is drowned.

While on his route, the body of William Grosndendal, once possessor of \$50,000, which he is said to have lost speculating in steel stocks, was found in his hut near Holland by a mail carrier. Grosndendal had been dead two days.

Two land grants signed by Andrew Jackson, dated 1830, were recorded in the office of county recorder at Ann Arbor. They were made for land in the township of York and Augusta and the patents were written on parchment.

Henry J. Northcut, choir singer, is alleged to have defrauded many Kalamazoo people and disappeared without paying numerous bills. Officers have found out that he sold and collected for 700 Christmas trees that he never delivered.

Ed Killain, of Redford, paid a man who said his name was McWhittus \$190 for an automobile. A few days later Deputy Sheriff Farmer appeared with the owner of the car, who had traced it from Flint, and Killain had to surrender it.

D. W. Brooks, aged 84, who died at the Masonic home at Alma, was a "forty-niner," having gone overland to California over the old Santa Fe trail and failing to secure riches, later went to Alaska in search of gold, where he was again unsuccessful.

Fred Meske, a Jackson man, who shot and killed his brother-in-law, Al Harris, at Leslie, when the latter forced an entrance into the home of his wife, from whom he had been separated, was released from custody, having been absolved by the coroner.

A little son of Geo. Phickey, Ashley farmer, was instantly killed and his parents both so critically injured that their recovery is a matter of doubt, when a team of horses driven by Phickey ran away and collided with an electric motor car on the Ann Arbor railroad.

Efforts to settle suits against the Grand Trunk railroad growing out of the fire, alleged to have been caused by a locomotive spark, which destroyed a large portion of the village of Perry in July, 1913, have failed and seven more suits were begun. The amount involved is approximately \$125,000.

In a decision an echo of the "Mabray gang," famous several years ago for their connection with fake races, wire-tapping exploits, etc., until separated by the federal authorities, turned up in the supreme court when the court reversed a judgment secured by Peter Voorhees, of Alma, against Clinton Nelson of the same place for about \$3,000.

Out for the Cash.
Edith—So you are going to marry that rude old Mr. Roxleigh. I don't see how you can stand his ways. Marie—I can stand his ways, my dear, by remembering about his means.—Boston Transcript.

William Mehlberg was found dead at his home in Adair where he lived, alone, by neighbors.

At East Lansing the work is already in progress on the new \$15,000 gymnasium at the M. A. C.

Wm. Chaddwick, deputy collector, announces that the embargo on potatoes from Canada has been removed.

E. J. Carson, representative of the J. Farrell company, of Chicago, was found dead in his bed at Post Tavern. Jackson prison will shortly begin the manufacture of plug and smoking tobacco, socks and cloth for the use of inmates of the institution.

Henry Ford, who recently returned from his European peace mission has a place on the Republican presidential primary ballot in Michigan this spring.

The jury in the noted Three Oaks \$10,000 breach of promise suit of Edith Clark against Joseph A. Parren returned a verdict in favor of Miss Clark for \$2,300.

Martin Noonan, aged 66, resident of Owosso for thirty years, and ill for over twenty years, ended his life by hanging, taking advantage of his wife's absence from his room.

Orther, Fenville sheriff, was robbed of a grip containing valuable papers in the Grand Central station. There was no diamond in his star, and therefore it was saved.

Returning from the University hospital at Ann Arbor, with an undertaker for a companion, Orlando Alexander, of Cassopolis, committed suicide at Battle Creek.

Leonard L. "King" Cole, New York American league baseball team and formerly with the Chicago Cubs, died at his home at Bay City. He had been seriously ill for several weeks.

William, son of Mrs. William Norcross, of Corunna, tried to start a fire by pouring kerosene oil on the coals. There was an explosion and he was badly burned about the head and face.

By a newspaper item Mrs. E. R. McKay, of Portland, Ore., will soon be reunited with her mother, Mrs. Eliza Hindelone, of Ann Arbor, whom she lost track of a quarter of a century ago.

At Grand Rapids John Hoggerhyde, charged with shooting his brother Joe, following a quarrel, was ordered released by Prosecutor Marnard. Each brother admitted he did the shooting.

Plans to carve the forty-ninth state of the union out of the "upper peninsula" of Michigan under the name "Superior," are being urged by Roger M. Andrews, proprietor of the Menominee Herald-Leader.

Unknown to her parents Nevene Tower, daughter of Greenville's millionaire manufacturer, Ray J. Tower, has eloped with Don Despelder, son of a retired farmer, and the two have been married in Detroit.

R. C. Jackson, south of Morenci city, on arriving home from Illinois, where he had gone to bury his child, who died the first of last week, found his wife dead. She was in fairly good health when he went away.

Near Lansing the fear of breaking school discipline by tardiness cost the lives of Daisy Hasbrook, aged nine, and Ernest Kuhn, aged eleven, both of Haslett, who were drowned in Pine lake which they were attempting to cross on the ice.

Prof. Allan Whitney, department of education in the University of Michigan, and one of the supposedly confirmed bachelors of the faculty, announces his engagement to Miss Maybelle Howe, a leading social settlement worker of New York city.

It is announced that E. G. Greenman, assistant professor of machine design at the Michigan Agricultural college, has handed in his resignation to take immediate effect, a petition asking for his removal being signed by juniors and seniors of the engineering department last fall.

It is believed Edwin B. Monroe's "watchful waiting" policy has been vindicated and he is no longer a brideless bridegroom. The bride, who was kidnapped from his side by her father, Henry Reason, and her brother, when the couple returned several weeks ago on an interurban car from Lansing, where they had been married a few hours before has disappeared from the home of her parents near this city.

At Battle Creek notwithstanding Robert Bock, hardware merchant, resolved to sell no more revolvers when he heard that one he had just sold to Orlando Alexander, of Cassopolis, had been used for suicidal purposes, a revolver from his store was used by A. J. Williams, who saw Alexander do the deed, within a few hours in the same way.

Mrs. Sarah Rabinovitch, of Jackson, the wife of I. Rabinovitch, of the Michigan Millinery company, of Detroit, and of Jackson, went insane in Detroit and late in the afternoon rushed into the Flamingo room of the Hotel Pontchartrain in a wild state of delirium, threatening the life of Mayor Marx unless he at once stopped the showing of the Battle Cry of Peace and the Birth of a Nation.

St. Louisians say that William Gruett, the Chippewa Indian who died at the county farm was the first mail carrier in that section. In 1848 he carried the mail to Maple Rapids, once a week over the Indian trails through the wilderness. His father was a learned man among his people and acted as interpreter for the missionaries. In the early 20's while on a western trip, he married a halfbreed Indian girl in the Rocky mountains. They walked from Denver to Saginaw.

OBITUARIES

JANE PAGE BUTLER.

Jane Page Butler was born in Rochester, N. Y., March 7th, 1835, and departed this life from her home in Paw Paw, Mich., on January 7th, 1916, aged 80 years and 10 months.

She was united in marriage to Ellie G. Butler, June 11th, 1854, and moved to Michigan and settled at Paw Paw, thus she had been a resident of this city for over 60 years. She was converted and united with the Methodist Episcopal church on March 21, 1858. There were born to them two daughters, Florence and Hattie. There were also three stepchildren, William, Julia and Henry, of these only Henry survives her. Her husband, who had been in business here for many years, passed away March 2, 1888. Her daughter, Florence, was an active member of the Methodist church and had held the position of organist for many years. She was her mother's constant companion, and her passing away on December 28, 1914, left her mother very lonely.

For nearly 58 years Mrs. Butler has been an honored and devoted member of the Methodist church in Paw Paw. For many years her home was open to the itinerant preacher, and her love for and interest in the church continued until the last, although declining health deprived her from attending divine services. The summons came on Friday evening, to pass from service to reward and to a union with her loved ones. The funeral services were held at the late home on South Kalamazoo street Tuesday afternoon, conducted by Rev. A. O. Carmen. Burial at Prospect.

LE PERT.

Ann Elizabeth Kennedy was born in Virginia on June 29, 1843. When but a

small girl she moved with her parents to Ohio. On December 24, 1865, she was united in marriage to Preston Virgil Le Pert. To this union, five children were born, four sons and one daughter. One son and a daughter departed this life some years ago.

She became a member of the Methodist Episcopal church in early life and has lived a consistent Christian ever since. She was a kind hearted mother and was loved by all who knew her. She passed from this life at 11 p. m. on January 9, 1916. She leaves her husband, three sons and four grandsons to mourn her loss. Funeral services were held at Memorial hall Wednesday afternoon at 2 o'clock. Rev. A. C. Carmen officiating. Interment at Prospect hill.

The Scotsman's English.

A true specimen of the highland man's difficulties with the English language:

Farmer (who had instructed his Gaelic shepherd to look for a number of sheep that had wandered from the fold)—Well, Donald, have you found them?

"Aye, mister."
"Where did you get them?"
"Well, got two by itself, one together and three among one of McPhearsen's"—London News.

Poor Advice.

If you want to know just what you are—just how mean and low down a human being can get—just make your neighbor angry and let him tell you what he thinks of you.—Florida Times-Union.

Ocean Liners' Signals.

One short blast from a liner's whistle when she meets another liner means that she is taking the starboard course, two blasts that she is taking her course to port, three that she is going full speed astern.

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